



Current research on early literacy and brain development indicates that it is never too early to prepare children for success as readers. Parents of newborns, toddlers and preschoolers must be informed of their critical role as their children's first teacher.

The Public Library Association and the Association for Library Service to Children, have incorporated the latest research into a series of parent and caregiver workshops to provide public libraries with vital tools to help prepare parents for their critical role as their child's first teacher. These tools were developed by Dr. Grover C. Whitehurst and Dr. Christopher Lonigan, well-known researchers in emergent literacy, and have been tested and refined by library demonstrations sites around the country.

The **Denison Public Library** now offers this series of workshops for **parents and caregivers of:**

- **Early talkers: Children from birth to two-year-olds**
- **Talkers: Two- and three-year-olds**
- **Pre-readers: Four- and five-year olds**

Each of the three portions of this workshop series are offered separately at two different times, once in the morning and once in the evening. You can attend one, two or all three portions but you must register for each. Additionally, all three portions will be offered back-to-back once during the month on a Saturday. Please note: We do not have activities for your children, so please make other arrangements for their care.

**The Workshop schedule is as follows:**

**Early talkers:**

Tuesday, October 10 10:00-11:00 am  
 Tuesday, October 10 6:30-7:30 pm

**Talkers:**

Tuesday, October 17 10:00-11:00 am  
 Tuesday, October 17 6:30-7:30 pm

**Pre-readers:**

Tuesday, October 24 10:00-11:00 am  
 Tuesday, October 24 6:30-7:30 pm



**All 3 portions of the program offered back-to-back:**

Saturday, October 21 10:00 am- appx. 1:00 pm

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**FREE Workshops for Parents & Caregivers**

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 jullah@cityofdenison.com

Please register by completing this form and returning to the Denison Public Library. Please provide an email and phone number so that we can confirm your reservation. Space is limited so we may need to reschedule you, if your requested time is full. There is no charge for this program. **At this time, we do not have activities for your children, so please make other arrangements for their care.** You will receive a certificate for 1 clock hour for each portion attended, up to 3 hours for the entire program.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street address City State Zip

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Early Talkers                         | October 10 (Tues.) | 10:00 am                | OR | 6:30 pm (please circle only 1 time slot)  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Talkers                               | October 17 (Tues.) | 10:00 am                | OR | 6:30 pm (please circle only 1 time slot)  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Pre-readers                           | October 24 (Tues.) | 10:00 am                | OR | 6:30 pm (please circle only 1 time slot)  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | All 3 portions presented back-to-back | October 21 (Sat.)  | 10:00 am beginning time |    | (we will have breaks in between the sessions but plan to be finished by 1:00 pm or earlier) |